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Before Deborah L. Perry, Supervisory Paralegal Specialist, Review Team.

**ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER**

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on January 25, 2010. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

AMENDMENT

Appellant(s) filed an Amendment dated September 22, 2009. There is no indication on the record that the Examiner has considered the above Amendment.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is  
ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:  
1) consider the Amendment filed September 22, 2009, as required;  
and  
2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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